



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

MANABU YAMAZOE ET AL.

Application No.: 10/629,656

Filed: July 30, 2003

For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND
APPARATUS AND STORAGE MEDIUM

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Examiner: Ishrat Sherli
Group Art Unit: 2621
Confirmation No.: 6853
December 5, 2005

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

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Petition for Extension of Time

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Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action mailed

October 6, 2005, for one (1) month, from November 6, 2005, up to and including December 6, 2005. A check in the amount of \$120.00 for the extension fee is enclosed.

Response to Election of Species Requirement

In response to the Official Action mailed October 6, 2005, Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute the invention of Species II (Figures 10-12). Applicants respectfully submit that at least Claims 10, 12, 17 and 18 read on Species II.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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